

Please amend Claims 1- 4, 7-9, 13, 15-18, 20-23, 31-36, 39-42, and 44-48 as follows. A marked-up copy of the amended claims is attached. For the Examiner's convenience, copies of all of the pending claims are reproduced below.

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1. (Amended) A drive transmission apparatus for transmitting a driving force to a member to be driven comprising:

a first coupling portion;

a second coupling portion having a hole portion which has a cross-sectional configuration larger than said first coupling portion, said hole portion being engageable with said first coupling portion; and

a center shaft being provided on one of said first coupling portion and said second coupling portion, and said center shaft penetrating the other one of said first coupling portion and said second coupling portion,

wherein one of said first coupling portion and said second coupling portion receives the driving force and is fixed to the member to be driven.

2. (Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said first coupling portion receives the driving force from said second coupling portion.

3. (Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said second coupling portion is movable in an axial direction of said center shaft, and is provided with an urging means for urging said second coupling portion in the axial direction of said center shaft.

4. (Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said center shaft has a taper configuration at an end portion thereof.

5. (Unamended) An apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said first coupling portion has a twisted projection having a polygonal cross-section.

6. (Unamended) An apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein the hole portion of said second coupling portion has a polygonal cross-section.

7. (Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 6, wherein said polygonal hole portion of said second coupling portion is twisted.

8. (Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said center shaft is rotatable integrally with said first coupling portion and said second coupling portion.

9. (Amended) A drive transmission apparatus comprising:
a first coupling portion;
a second coupling portion having a hole portion which has a cross-sectional configuration larger than said first coupling portion, said hole portion being engageable with said first coupling portion;

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a center shaft being provided on one of said first coupling portion and said second coupling portion, and said center shaft penetrating the other one of said first coupling portion and said second coupling portion,

wherein said center shaft is rotatable integrally with said first coupling portion and said second coupling portion; and

brake means actable on said center shaft in its circumferential direction.

10. (Unamended) An apparatus according to Claim 9, wherein said brake means applies a frictional force to said center shaft.

11. (Unamended) An apparatus according to Claim 10, wherein the frictional force is applied by an elastic member contactable to said center shaft.

12. (Unamended) An apparatus according to Claim 9, wherein said brake means is a powder-brake.

13. (Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 9, wherein said brake means is provided with a torque.

14. (Unamended) An apparatus according to Claim 9, wherein said brake means includes magnetic force applying means for applying a magnetic force to said center shaft.

16. (Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 15, wherein said first coupling portion receives the driving force from said second coupling portion.

17. (Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 15, wherein said photosensitive member is positioned correctly relative to said image forming apparatus using said center shaft.

18. (Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 15, wherein said center shaft has a taper configuration at an end portion thereof.

19. (Unamended) An apparatus according to Claim 15, wherein said first coupling portion has a twisted projection having a polygonal cross-section.

20. (Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 19, wherein the hole portion of said second coupling portion has a polygonal cross-section.

21. (Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 20, wherein said polygonal hole portion of said second coupling portion is twisted.

22. (Twice Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 15, wherein said center shaft is rotatable integrally with said first and second coupling portions.

23. (Amended) An image forming apparatus comprising:

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a photosensitive member;

charging means for charging said photosensitive member;

image forming means for forming an electrostatic image on said photosensitive member charged by said charging means;

developing means for developing the electrostatic image;

transferring means for transferring the image developed by said developing means onto a recording material;

a driving source;

a driver for transmitting a driving force from said driving source to said photosensitive member;

a first coupling portion;

a second coupling portion having a hole portion which has a cross-sectional configuration larger than said first coupling portion, said hole portion being engageable with said first coupling portion;

a center shaft provided on one of said first coupling portion and said second coupling portion, said center shaft penetrating the other one of said first coupling portion and said second coupling portion,

wherein said photosensitive member has one of said first coupling portion and said second coupling portion, and said driver has the other one of said first coupling portion and said second coupling portion; and

brake means actable on said center shaft in its circumferential direction.

24. (Unamended) An apparatus according to Claim 23, wherein said brake means applies a frictional force to said center shaft.

25. (Unamended) An apparatus according to Claim 24, wherein the frictional force is applied by an elastic member contactable to said center shaft.

26. (Unamended) An apparatus according to Claim 23, wherein said brake means is a powder-brake.

27. (Unamended) An apparatus according to Claim 23, wherein said brake means is provided with a torque.

28. (Unamended) An apparatus according to Claim 23, wherein said brake means includes magnetic force applying means for applying a magnetic force to said center shaft.

29. (Unamended) An apparatus according to Claim 15, wherein said transferring means includes an intermediary transfer member.

30. (Unamended) An apparatus according to Claim 15, wherein said photosensitive member is a part of a unit including process means actable on said photosensitive member.

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31. (Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 30, wherein said process means includes at least one of said charging means, said developing means and cleaning means for cleaning said photosensitive member.

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32. (Amended) A process unit which is detachably mountable to a main assembly of an image forming apparatus having a driving portion, said process unit including process means actable on a photosensitive member, said process unit comprising:

a coupling portion fixed to the photosensitive member and engageable with the driving portion of the main assembly of the apparatus; and

a hole portion engaged with a center shaft penetrating an engaging portion between said coupling portion and the driving portion.

33. (Amended) A process unit according to Claim 32, wherein said process unit is positioned correctly relative to the image forming apparatus using the center shaft.

34. (Amended) A process unit according to Claim 32, wherein the center shaft has a taper configuration at an end portion thereof.

35. (Amended) A process unit according to Claim 32, wherein said coupling portion has a projection having a polygonal cross-section.

36. (Amended) A process unit according to Claim 35, wherein said polygonal projection is twisted.

39. (Amended) A process unit according to Claim 32, wherein the center shaft is rotatable integrally with said coupling portion.

40. (Amended) A process unit which is detachably mountable to a main assembly of an image forming apparatus having a driving portion, said process unit including process means actable on a photosensitive member, said process unit comprising:

a coupling portion engageable with the driving portion of the main assembly of the apparatus;

a hole portion engaged with a center shaft penetrating an engaging portion between said coupling portion and the driving portion, wherein the center shaft is rotatable integrally with said coupling portion; and

brake means actable on the center shaft in its circumferential direction.

41. (Amended) A process unit according to Claim 40, wherein said brake means applies a frictional force to the center shaft.

42. (Amended) A process unit according to Claim 41, wherein the frictional force is applied by an elastic member contactable to the center shaft.

43. (Unamended) A process unit according to Claim 40, wherein said brake means is a powder-brake.

44. (Amended) A process unit according to Claim 40, wherein said brake means is provided with a torque.

45. (Amended) A process unit according to Claim 40, wherein said brake means includes magnetic force applying means for applying a magnetic force to the center shaft.

46. (Amended) A process unit according to Claim 32, further comprising the photosensitive member.

47. (Amended) A process unit according to Claim 46, wherein said coupling portion is provided on said photosensitive member.

48. (Amended) A process unit according to Claim 32, wherein said process means includes at least one of charging means for charging the photosensitive member, developing means for supplying developer to the photosensitive member, and cleaning means for cleaning the photosensitive member.

Please add Claims 49-51 as follows.